

First Unitarian Church
Sunday, February 5, 2012

Scars
Rev. Alison Hyder



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Order of Service

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10:30 a.m.

Prelude

Scott Ward, H.M.M.

***Processional Hymn** #295 *Sing Out Praises for the Journey*

***Invocation** *Risk* by Marnie Harmony

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***Passing the Peace**

◆Welcome and Announcements

Centering

When Our Heart Is in a Holy Place
(Please remain seated and sing through once.)

S. Ward

When our heart is in a holy place
When our heart is in a holy place
We are blessed with love and amazing grace
When our heart is in a holy place

Lighting the Chalice

Rev. Hyder

Unison Affirmation

We affirm that love is our greatest purpose.
Accepting one another is the truest form of faithful living.
The search for truth is our constant star.
We pledge our hearts, minds and hands:
To challenge injustice with courage;
To find hope in times of fear;
And to live out our Unitarian Universalist values every day
as a beloved community.
Thus do we covenant with each other and with all that is sacred in
life.

Response

Prelude in B Minor by F. Chopin

S. Ward

Time for All Ages

Scott Ward

◆ **Departing Blessing** *For You Shall Go Out* – by T. Benjamin
The song will be played through once then sung twice.

For you shall go out in joy, For you shall go out in joy,
And come back in peace, And come back in peace, Blessed be

Reading Rev. Hyder
from a speech given by Adlai Stevenson
in New York City on August 27, 1952

◆ **Offertory** *Nocturne in G Minor* by F. Chopin S. Ward

Reading *Scars* by William Stafford Rev. Hyder

Pastoral Hymn #18 *What Wondrous Love is This*

Meditation and Prayer *A Guest House* by Jellaludin Rumi Rev. Hyder

Silence

Prayers for the People

Music for Meditation *Prelude in E Minor* by F. Chopin S. Ward

Sermon **Scars** The Rev. Alison Hyder

* **Closing Hymn** #93 *To Mercy, Pity, Peace and Love*

Benediction *Benedicto* by Edward Abbey Rev. Hyder

* **Extinguishing the Chalice**

Postlude *Nocturne in E Flat* by F. Chopin S. Ward

(Please be seated through the end of the Postlude)

Greeting One Another – *Turn and greet your neighbor with friendly hospitality!*

* *Please stand, as you are comfortable in body or in spirit.*

◆ *Ushers will welcome late-comers into the service at this time.*



This morning we celebrate the music of Frederic Chopin.

*Today's flowers are given by Faith Whittington
in loving memory of her mother, Dorothy B. Whittington.*



Caring Friends: The Caring Friends of First U are here for YOU! If you are facing surgery, dealing with a difficult diagnosis or illness, loss of a loved one, or any situation where we can be supportive, please let us know. We remember people with cards and help with transportation, meals, and/or a listening ear, always with confidentiality. A member of the Caring Friends team will be standing up by the chalice after the service if you'd like to let us know of a need. We also would like to know of current and upcoming hospitalizations. You can also contact Rev. Alison or any member of the team, as identified by purple name tags. Today's Caring Friend is **Barbara Marrs**.

Today's Volunteers:

OFFICE: Jean Kennedy

GREETERS: Jim Davis, Dee Burdash, Chela Metzger and Barbara Perry

USHERS: Steve & Cindy Cohen, Martin Peres and Margaret Sheridan

FIRST U LIBRARY: Open Sunday mornings, 9:30 a.m. to noon.

In the Parish Hall:

BOOK CORNER: Debbe Krape

BOOSTER CARDS: Suzanne Proud

HOSPITALITY: Denominational Growth Committee

UUSC COFFEE: Steve Marek

CYRE: Jen Hann-Deschaine

CHALICE LIGHTERS SUNDAY: Denominational Growth Committee

SCOTT'S 20th ANNIVERSARY: Memory Book

SOCIAL ACTION: Ministry of Compassionate Action

WELCOME TABLE/ADULT RE: Jan Blanchfield and Dee Burdash

Next Sunday - Worship 10:30 a.m.

February 12: The Rev. Dr. Joshua Snyder. **“When in Our Music.”** We celebrate Scott Ward's 20th Anniversary as the Music Director at First Unitarian Church! In honor of this grand occasion, we will be celebrating the role music plays in our congregation. Come join the celebration of music and Scott's service to our congregation!

**Next Sunday – Adult Forum 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. in Brunner Chapel
February 12:** Our Comparative Religion video series continues with a lecture entitled “The Problems of Sin and Forgetfulness.”

**Next Sunday – Faithful Dialogues – A Journey to Sangha: How I came to Open Heart Zen Sangha. 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. in Room 25
February 12:** This session introduces us to meditation in a mindful community or "sangha." Ben Fleury-Steiner will talk about his experiences and what led him over the past 20 years to practice meditation with a sangha, including First U's very own Open Heart Zen Sangha which meets weekly.

